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WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEXING OPTICAL  
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS"

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Washington, DC 20231

**ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.27(c)(1)**

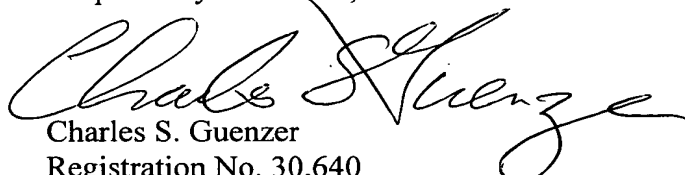
Sir:

The undersigned attorney asserts under 37 CFR §1.27(c)(1) that Applicants are entitled to small entity status.

Respectfully submitted,

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